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SUBJECT: INITIAL FONOFF COMMENTS ON KOREA INITIATIVE

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1. FOLLOWING CABINET MEETING MORNING OF JULY 23
FONMIN MIYAZAWA ASKED BY PRESS HIS REACTION TO PORTION
OF SECRETARY'S SEATTLE SPEECH DEALING WITH KOREA
QUESTION. ACCORDING EVENING PAPERS, MIYAZAWA NOTED
THAT GOJ HAS SINCE LAST YEAR OFTEN DECLARED THAT STERILE
UNGA "MAJORITY-BUILDING" EXERCISE IS NOT VERY
MEANINGFUL, AND THAT WAY TO RESOLUTION OF KOREA QUESTION
IS, FIRST OF ALL, TO START SERIOUS DIALGOUE BETWEEN THE
KOREAS AND ALSO TALKS AMONG OTHER CONCERNED COUNTRIES.
THUS HE WELCOMES THE SECREATARY'S INITIATIVE AND
CONSIDERS IT SIGNIFICANT.

2. EVENING PAPERS VARIOUSLY QUOTE MIYAZAWA AND "FOREIGN
OFFICE SOURCES" AS SAYING THAT SECRETARY'S REMARKS ON
KOREA WERE COMMUNICATED TO THE FOREIGN OFFICE IN ADVANCE
OF DELIVERY AND THAT INITIATIVE IS TIMELY IN VIEW OF
UPCOMING COLOMBO NAC CNFERENCE. SANKEI SAYS THAT MIYAZAWA
ALSO DREW ATTENTIONTO SECRETARY'S SPECIFICATION OF A TIME,
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PLACE AND PARTIES TO TALKS ON KOREA AS IMPORTANT NEW ELEMENT.

3. COMMENT: WE EXPECT THAT MIYAZAWA WILL COMMENT FURTHER AND
IN MUCH THE SAME VEIN AT HIS REGULAR AFTERNOON PRESS CONFERENCE.
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